## GREENWOOD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MAY 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

Vice Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Paul Hodge, Robert Morgan, Chuck Spradlin, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Kathy Robison. Commissioner Ballard was not in attendance.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Spradlin moved to approve May 23, 2022 Minutes, as written. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge Report:

- Chrisman reported that Jeff Hall is slated to return to Greenwood County to make repairs to Reece Road.
- A meeting will be held Thursday, to discuss the progress of Christian Hills Bridge.
- Darrel reported that stolen signage is becoming a major problem for the Road and Bridge Department.

County Clerk Kathy Robison informed commissioners that County Attorney Jill Gillett would like the Courthouse general diversion fund to be a stand-alone account. Robison noted that the account was moved into the general fund, several years ago. County Counselor Paul Dean then informed commission that the matter needs to be taken up in an executive session.

Fox moved to approve payables in the amount of \$136,802.86. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Morgan moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$122,521.89. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Katie Greenwood attended the meeting as a representative for the Top-hand Youth Rodeo. Greenwood asked for \$1,500 appropriations to be utilized for this rodeo.

Fox moved to approve a donation of \$1,500 to the Top-hand Youth Rodeo. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff Heath Samuels informed commissioners that he purchased a Dodge Charger to add to the Greenwood County Fleet, in the amount of \$24,000, after trade-in for the truck currently utilized.

Emergency Management Director inquired about possibly getting another TV or a projector on another wall in the Commission meeting room, to utilize for meetings. Commissioners spoke in favor of such. Ben Fox is slated to look into the matter.

Ballard moved to approve a five-minute executive session with count counselor Paul Dean to discuss legal matters. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting to reconvene at 9:25 a.m. No decisions were made.

Following the executive session, Paul Dean asked for a motion from the commission to establish the Courthouse General Diversion fund as a line-item fund.

Hodge moved to approve Dean's request to establish the Diversion Fund as a separate line-item fund. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Spradlin moved to approve Madison Morris for full time employment, at a pay-rate of \$13.15 per hour, for the Treasurer's office. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Brian Mongeau would like to install two radio repeaters, one in the northern part of the county and one in the southern portion. Commissioners agreed that radio repeaters would be beneficial to Greenwood County. Mongeau is slated to look into the matter further.

Fox moved to approve a 15-minute executive session to discuss personal information obtained during the interview process for the Fire Chief position. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting reconvened at 10:10 a.m. No decisions were made.

Fox moved to approve a ten-minute executive session for employee evaluations and review of applications. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0. No decisions were made.

County Attorney Jill Gillett would like to use \$68,000 from the general diversion fund for body cameras for the Sheriff's Department; because those monies have rolled over into the general account every year, per the commission board of 2008, County Clerk Kathy Robison noted that the finances are not in that

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account to cover that expenditure. Robison and County Treasurer Donna Olson are slated to contact county auditor Phil Jarred to look into the matter of moving those monies back into the diversion account.

Hodge moved to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST: Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Roy Ballard, Chairman

Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Chuck Spradlin, Member

Paul Hodge, Member

Robert Joe Morgan Robert Joe Morgan, Member